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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed June 3, 2004, said period of response being extended from September 3, 2004 to October 3, 2004.

Please charge the required extension fee in the amount of \$55.00 for a small entity to Deposit Account No. 50-0494.

Respectfully submitted,

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